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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-25 (Cancel).

26. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid cDNA comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence: Ala-Gln-Glu-Pro-Val-Lys-Gly-Pro-Val-Ser-Thr-Lys-Pro-Gly-Ser-Cys-Pro-Ile-Ile-Leu-Ile-Arg-Cys-Ala-Met-Leu-Asn-Pro-Pro-Asn-Arg-Cys-Leu-Lys-Asp-Thr-Asp-Cys-Pro-Gly-Ile-Lys-Cys-Cys-Glu-Gly-Ser-Cys-Gly-Met-Ala-Cys-Phe-Val-Pro-Gln or fragment of said amino acid sequence, which fragment that possesses inhibitory activity against human leukocyte elastase.

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27. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid cDNA according to claim 26 wherein said nucleotide sequence encodes said amino acid sequence.

28. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid cDNA according to claim 26 wherein said nucleic acid cDNA comprises the nucleotide sequence:

GCTCAAGAACCAAGTTAAAGGTCTGTGTACT  
AAGCCAGGTTCTTGTCTATTATCTTGATTGCGCTATGTTAAACCCACCTAACCGT  
TGTTGAAGGACACTGATTGTCCAGGTATCAAAAAGTGCTGTGAAGGTTCTGCCTGATG